

WNYRIC Advisory Council Agenda
September 24, 2015
12:00 pm to 2:30 pm
Erie 1 BOCES 355 Harlem Road, West Seneca Room A2

DL Sites for those that cannot attend face to face:

Erie 1 BOCES – A2 at Education Campus – 355 Harlem Road, West Seneca
Erie 2 BOCES – LoGuidice Room 1 – 9520 Fredonia Stockton Road, Fredonia
CA BOCES - Olean Center DL Room – 1825 Windfall Road , Olean
ON BOCES - DL Room at Tech Center – 4124 Saunders Settlement Road, Sanborn
GST BOCES - Hornell HS DL Room –134 Seneca Road, Hornell

Lunch: 12:00 to 12:30

Lunch will be provided

Administrative Items: 12:30 – 1:00

Call to order – Greg Woytila, Chair
Roll call – Chair & Barb Mocarski
Changes in Membership - Chair
Minutes – May 29, 2015 – approval needed – Chair
Today's Agenda approval needed – Chair

Presentation: 1:00 – 1:30

Cyber Insurance presented by Greg Hawk & Brett Carruthers from Wright Insurance Company

Reoccurring Topics:

1. **Data Privacy**
 1. Erie 1 BOCES Cyber Insurance Policy discussion – 30 minutes – Jim Freglette,
 2. Liabilities under coverage – Greg Hawk
 3. Best Practices and Risks – Ron Ternowski
 4. Security Risks
 1. XP Machine
 2. 2003 Servers
 5. Update: Data Privacy and Security Initiative Grant resources – Rosanne Huffcut
 6. Roundtable Discussion questions and concerns from districts.
2. **Broadband and Effectiveness of Network –**
 1. Update –Time Warner Build and Transition Implementation – Ron Ternowski
 2. Update – DR outages preparedness – Ron Ternowski
 3. Update – Other Regional Efforts regarding Broadband to homes and community
 4. Previous talking points questions for table discussions (page 5) - Sharing of information or questions from constituency groups
3. **Smart Schools Bond Act Updates – Carol Barber**
 1. Update – WNYRIC Guidance document
 2. Previous talking points questions for table discussions (page 4) - Sharing of information or questions from constituency groups
4. **Education Law 2D**
 1. Update – No updates at this time
 2. Previous talking points questions for table discussions (page 4) - Sharing of information or questions from constituency groups

5. Technology Survey Tool - Carol Barber

Update: Certification of Plan/Timelines

The Model Schools Facilitators in your region are as follows:

- Rick Weinberg and Lauren Stuff - CA
- Theresa Gray and Marcy Sweetman - ERIE 2
- Sean Christopher and Rob Miller - ERIE 1 & ON BOCES
- Linda Perry & Matt Middlebrook - GST

New Business:

2015 – 2016 Highlights 793 Plan– Associate Directors

2015- 2016 Statewide RIC Goals update – Rosanne Huffcut

Standards Minutes and Resolutions – Jan Mathis – action needed

Informational updates:

1. Trending Services
 - a. Cloud environment
 - b. Data Integration
2. Awarded RFP

Items from the floor:

Round Table from each region – share any needs/concerns

Next meeting dates— DL information will be sent prior to meeting

December 17, 2015 – 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

March 17, 2016 – 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

May 27, 2016 – 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Up Coming Events:

Tech Fest – September 30, 2015

WNYRIC Service Presentations:

CA – Thursday, December 3, 2015

Erie 1 – Wednesday, December 9, 2015

Erie 2 – Friday, December 18, 2015

GST – Thursday, December 3, 2015

ON – Wednesday, December 16, 2015

Digital Wave – May 9, 2016

Talking points for Advisory Members to use to facilitate sharing of information with constituency groups:

Topic 1 Talking points: Smart Schools Bond Act

1. Our guidance page - <http://wnysmartschools.weebly.com/>
2. SED's webpage - http://www.p12.nysed.gov/mgtserv/smart_schools/

Possible Question(s) for constituency groups:

1. Have districts thought about the infrastructure, professional development and technical support needed for deployment of new devices and sustainability?
2. What creative methods are districts using to pay the upfront cost for the SSBA purchases?
3. How are districts involving stakeholders?
4. What processes are you going to put into place to coordinate the needs assessment, planning and acquisition of things?
5. How are you going to balance BOCES aid, Erate and Smart Schools money?
6. Do districts need assistance understanding the process of SSBA?

Topic 2 Talking points: Education Law 2d

1. Education Law 2-d affects data security and privacy for student and educators.
2. Erie 1 Policy Services has sent out updates and samples to policy subscribing districts.
3. Office of Test Security will house Chief Privacy Officer at NYSED when hired. Position is posted for CPO presently. Many decisions and guidance rest on the involvement of this individual.
4. All contracts now have the appropriate Ed Law 2-d language as of July 1, 2015

Possible Question(s) for constituency groups:

1. What contracts do you have other than the ones that the WNYRIC or your local BOCES have on your behalf?
2. Have you had any concerns, questions or comments from your Parent's Bill of Rights posted on your website?

Topic 3 Talking points: The Modernization of E-rate beginning in FY 2015-16:

1. The goal of the E-rate Modernization program is to improve the speed and capacity of school district's networks to create ubiquitous computing in all classrooms.
2. The annual E-rate cap has been increased by \$1.5 billion, extending the former \$2.4 billion cap to almost \$4 billion.
3. All schools will have a budget for Category 2 services - Internal networking - based on \$150 per student - to be used over the next 5 years. All districts should plan to upgrade their networks, and apply for E-rate discounts each year until their networking funds have been expended.
4. Voice services will be phased out of the E-rate program for all school districts over the next three and four years. All schools districts will have to budget for the loss of these E-rate discounts.
5. Broadband and Internet through the WNYRIC are secure and will not be altered.

Possible Question(s) for constituency groups:

1. Have we completed the Forms 470 and 471 and returned them to Erie 1 BOCES to prepare for the district's E-rate application for Funding Year 2015-16?
2. Are we aware of the new E-rate funding available for networking in Funding Year 2015-16?
3. Have we evaluated the networking in our buildings recently? Are upgrades necessary?
4. Is the WiFi in our school sufficient for streaming video and mobile devices for 20 or more students? Has a Wireless Site Survey been completed to verify? Are upgrades necessary?
5. Have we budgeted for upgrades that will take advantage of the E-rate discounts over the allowable 5 year period beginning in Funding Year 2015-16?

Topic 4 Talking points: Broadband and Network effectiveness

1. Contract is still being negotiated at this time. Details will be shared as soon as negotiations have been finalized.
2. The new Time Warner Service Level Agreement has been distributed to individuals involved in the RFP process for their review and any questions were to be forwarded to the WNYRIC for clarification.
3. Discussions on new equipment and tentative timelines have been discussed and are waiting on final contract negotiations.

Possible Question(s) for constituency groups:

1. Have districts evaluated the networking in their buildings recently? Are upgrades necessary?
2. Have Districts analyzed their Internet traffic to assist in determining what the normal level of traffic is during the school day?
3. If approaching 1GB throughput on a daily basis, has the District begun conversations with their WAN Senior on developing a plan to upgrade their infrastructure to address the growth in usage?
4. Have Districts insured that all of their devices are updated and free of viruses/malware, etc. to insure that all network traffic is valid traffic?
5. Have Districts made their technical support teams aware of any planned or new instructional goals and methods that may increase bandwidth usage? i.e. streaming more video as a learning tool, using more web based applications for instruction, Minecraft, gaming type classes, etc..

Topic 5 Talking Points: PARCC Field Testing, WNY 2014

1. PARCC field tests were administered in 75 NYS school districts to 25,000 students: NYC's sample accounted for 45% of the group, WNY's was by far the next largest sample accounting for 24% of the test pool (in 23 different LEAs).
2. WNYRIC and the local BOCES provided extensive assistance to schools to submit student data uploads to Pearson/PARCC and to prepare infrastructure and personnel to support online testing.
3. Overall, most students (65%) reported that they would prefer to take assessments on computers, but that varied as to their grade levels. Only 41% of high school students preferred computer-based testing and of those who were administered a high school math exam, the number dropped to 31%.
4. Student survey results have been made available to the BOCES showing the students' responses to questions about the testing process.

Possible Questions for constituency groups:

1. How prepared for computer-based testing are the schools that did NOT participate in the PARCC field tests?
2. How can schools prepare students (especially mathematics students) to comfortably use computer-based tools to solve problems and report their responses?
3. What, if any, transformation is taking place in pk-12 school curricula to infuse digital tools for daily **instruction** in addition to standard instructional methods.